



# Kelleys Island Historical Association, Inc.

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## Why Hasn't a Museum Been Started ? Where Does all the Money Go?

We're sure you have heard these questions before, or even said them yourselves. We believe you need an explanation as to KIHA operations and why we seem to be so slow in acquiring our museum.

First and foremost, we are all volunteers for the purpose of preserving history for future generations as well as educating visitors about Kelleys Island's heritage. KIHA has an elected Board of nine members. We have a Treasurer and Corresponding secretary that are outside the Board, but KIHA members.

In 1991-92, the "new museum" became an exciting topic of discussion within KIHA, as well as generating interest throughout the community. A "Building Fund" was established and the Board voted to keep these monies for this purpose. At fiscal year end, we had about \$3,000 accumulated.

A Fund Raising Campaign started with a Kick-Off Dinner in 1993, attempting to raise \$200,000. Brochures were designed and printed, donated by Buckeye Letter and Mailing Service, and mailed Island-wide as well as to businesses in the surrounding area. The Board voted to put all memorials, donations, proceeds from Tour Guides (compiled and donated by Richard Knopf), Jean's Book Fund, and Rick Holmes' Notes into the Building Fund. By the year's end, we had almost \$18,000 in it, with approximately \$18,000 pledged over the next 3-year-period.

Before we go any further:

1. The church and properties must be maintained according to our agreement with United Church of Christ.
2. All monies collected, except as mentioned above, go into the General Fund. This is an estimated \$15,000 to \$20,000 annually today. Much less in past years.
3. Expenses are: real estate taxes, utilities, insurance, office supplies, postage, attorney general fees, safety deposit box, banking fees, accountant, improvements/repairs to church and house.

All these, and any other expenses, are paid for from our General Fund. If there are excess monies, they can be voted into the Building Fund.

### Major Expenses and Repairs to Church and Rectory

1992	\$5,000	leaking bell tower, rotten wood - rubber base installed, replaced wood, painted in and out
1993	4,850	republished Hill History Book
	2,700	copywrite and publish Tour Guide
1994	_____	no major repair money to Building Fund
1995	4,500	windows redone
	2,500	published cookbooks
	1,800	new copier
	450	sealed church exterior
1996	_____	recouped funds spent in '95
1997	7,000	replaced roof on church and rectory
	500	shed made into office - materials only
	300	acquisition/display material
	3,000	advance for Gift Shoppe
1998	10,670	Bell Tower rebuilt
	5,000	Gift Shoppe purchases
1999	_____	no major expenses
2000	8,000	projected expense to redo steeple (More Building Fund News continued on the next page.)

***We are in hopes this will be the end of major repairs for awhile!!!!***

## Why Hasn't a Museum Been Started? (cont'd)

Another source of income for the Building Fund was a cocktail party given by Gerald West, donating all the proceeds. David Yeager sponsored another cocktail party last year on our behalf. Lydia Dwelle Bechtel and Fran and Ed Kuchar have been generous contributors over the past several years. We truly appreciate their generosity and continued support.

The Gift Shoppe is now raising funds for our operating expenses along with the Butterfly Festival and Quilt Raffle. Teri Betzenheimer Behends has graciously donated these quilts in memory of her relatives/heritage of Kelleys Island. Special thanks to her for her ongoing love of the Island. Also, we all need to give thanks to the WONDERFUL volunteers that "man" the Gift Shoppe all during the season. It is certainly a true dedication!

One other item to be noted, this organization was founded in 1981. When the By-Laws were set in place, it states, "no expenses shall be incurred unless funds are available". Although the monies may be there for a foundation and septic system, we do not have enough funds to enclose the building.

### Building Fund (rounded figures)

	1994	\$35,000	
	1995	\$50,500	
	1996	\$70,500	
	1997	\$80,800	
	1998	\$88,800	
<b>Building Fund</b>	1999	<b>\$107,300</b>	
<b>General Fund</b>	1999	<b>19,270</b>	
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>\$126,570</b>	9/30/99

### Membership

As of November 1, 1999 a total of 240 adults have paid yearly dues. We are currently mailing 196 newsletters to our members.

We hope this article will enlighten you to know that the Board of Directors, Officers and all Volunteers are doing their VERY BEST to support our organization and purpose.

If you have any magical powers-that-be as to how we can attain our goal quicker, notify us immediately. We welcome constructive suggestions anytime and we hope you will talk with us if there are any questions.

Thank you for taking the time to read this lengthy article, but we felt we did owe you this information.

Lois Brown, Board Member

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## Town Square Collection

Our Town Square Collection addition of the "Kelley-Lovins House" will still be available next summer. This is number 5 in our series. This one will go quickly! We also ordered more "Sweet Valley Inn" houses and German Reformed Churches. What would you like to see us do in the future?

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## Remember Us ♥♥♥♥

In your estate planning, in addition to providing for the well-being of your family, you can also help your community by making a bequest to the Kelleys Island Historical Association or other organization or group of your choice. If you have a thoughtfully planned will, you can specify exactly how, and to whom, you would like the distribution. A bequest can be a fixed amount, a percentage of your estate, or a particular piece of historical heirloom or property.

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## Thanks, Sandy!!!

For serving as President for one year for KIHA, and for chairing your second Butterfly Festival. All you have done is much appreciated.

## Committee Reports



### Museum Gift Shoppe

Thanks so very much to all our fantastic volunteers for the Museum Gift Shoppe:  
Barb Behlen, Ann Brown, Joan Brown, Marv Byer, Marge Clapper, Sue Clepper, Shirley Crabill, Rita Eaton, Ann Eddows, Vi Feyedelem, Pat Hayes, Fran Johnson, Sandy Kilko, Hugh Lange, Elaine Lickfelt, Bob Luckay, Dee Mack, Artie Maeder, Fran Minshall, Sherry Otto, Mary Ann Peleski, Laura Jean Pohorence, Pat Seeholzer, Barb Shadle, Gloria Shollenberger, Dot Simonds, Betsy Walcott, and Madeline Williams.

"The virtue of a man ought to be measured not by his extraordinary exertions, but by his everyday conduct." *Blaise Pascal*

We had a great season and know next year will be even better!

Submitted by Betsy Walcott, Chairperson

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### Acquisitions and Display



We received a series of watercolor paintings of the five stages of Growth of the Monarch Butterfly. They were painted and donated by Glenn Giffen of Clyde, Ohio. Mr. Giffen was our speaker on butterflies at our 1998 Butterfly Festival. We have matted and framed this series in acid-free materials and will be enjoying them for many years to come. Mr. Giffen has since passed away.

Mike Feyedelem will hang extra wooden strips between the windows of the Church so that Mr. Giffen's watercolors can be displayed and enjoyed next season.

Artie Maeder has spent several afternoons helping clean and mylar pictures so that they will be preserved properly. She also taught us a better way to cut mylar - by using a self-seal cutting board and rotary blade. Works really great and is a time saver.

Michael Pratt donated many wonderful old pictures of Kelleys Island. They are being preserved and stored. Mike Feyedelem will show the ones we can't identify, as to dates and names of people, to some of our older residents to see if they can. We have really enjoyed going through these and hope to share some of them with you next year at the Museum.

All of our work is done in the small shed attached to the back of the Church. Many visitors to the Museum & Gift Shoppe come back to share experiences, articles, artifacts and pictures with us and that is very enjoyable. Anyone interested in helping in our ongoing work will be greatly appreciated. Stop by and see us or call Lois Brown, Mike Feyedelem or Ila Dick.

Submitted by Ila Dick, Chairperson

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### Hugh Lange Reports .....that the

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has inspected the steeple and should be preparing an estimate at this time.

With regard to the KIHA Museum Building Committee.....We received an estimate from Attica Lumber Company on October 1, 1999. We will contact Stan Green of Construction in Castalia for another estimate. It may be necessary to secure a third estimate.

## Committee Reports (Cont'd)

### Butterfly Festival



Our Butterfly Festival, chaired by yours truly, was another great one for KIHA. I wish to thank Bea Matso for chairing the food booth and express thanks to all her helpers. Thanks to Laura Jean Pohorance and Gerry Bickley for a great bakesale. The island vintage car show was much fun and a special thank you to all who prepared and brought their cars, trucks, tractors, and bicycles down to the ground for the day. Thank you to Lisa and Connie (Matso) for the children's activities. Thanks to Pat and Lori Hayes and Barb Coleman for arranging for a butterfly Demonstration presented by folks from the Cleveland Museum of Natural History. Thanks to Bob Luckay for securing our speaker, Dr. Pratt, and to Russ Matso for taping the talk and all the other things he did that weekend. Thanks to Lois Brown and Ila Dick for putting together a Flea Market. Thanks to Hugh Lange, Byron Crabill, Mike Feyedelem, Rita Eaton, Bill and Marge Clapper, Fran Minshall, Madeleine Williams, Ann Brown, and whoever helped out that day. Congratulations to Betsy Walcott and Vi Feyedelem for a record-breaker day in the gift shop.

### 1999 Quilt Winners

What a gorgeous quilt made by Teri Betzenheimer!!! It didn't stray too far from the island when Frank Yako's sister, D. Danvic, won it. The fantastic hooked rug by Dot Simonds was received by Kathy Wolf who knows Cindy Herndon and several others on the island. The beautiful Kelleys Island throw donated by Anneleise's Treasure Chest was happily accepted by Julie Kromer, Charlie Pascoe's daughter.

by Sandy Kilkko, President and Chairperson of the Festival

### Kelleys Life

We wish to thank Anne and John Bauswein and Dot Simonds for thinking of us as they begin the new Kelleys Island newspaper. Twenty percent (20%) of subscription proceeds will be donated to KIHA. We wish them our best as they publish their premier issue this fall and then begin next spring with a monthly paper.



### Building Doctor Clinic

The Building Doctor Clinic from the Ohio Historic Preservation Office of the Ohio Historical Society was a success this summer. KIHA, Gray and Pape, Inc., and the Village of Kelleys Island sponsored the program. There are briefs about many aspects of keeping up with an old building that you can ask to read anytime at the museum or at the Village Office. Here's one of the suggestions they made about checking out your older home. "Go outside during a good rain shower and walk around your house to see where the water is going." Just what you wanted to hear!!



## Happy Holidays

Thanks to all our members who have supported us this past year. With your help we are moving forward into the new millenium with high hopes for our new museum.

The Board appreciates your patronage!!





## Building Fund Memorials

**In Memory of Mamie Durkot Dwelle**

by Lydia Bechtel  
by Barb Ohlemacher

**In Memory of Robert Turner**

by Laverne Ehrbar

**In Memory of Ila Ramsey**

by Ruth Bandeen

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**In Memory of Al Rumel**

by Gary & Jackie Finger  
Lydia Bechtel

**In Memory of Raymond Feyedelem**

by Neuman Boat Line  
by Lydia Bechtel

by Sandra & Graham Dickens

by Nelle & Don Larson

by Gizelle Feyedelem

**In Memory of James E. Hilty**

by Gary & Jackie Finger

**Building Fund Donation**

by Edna T. Buegler

**New Life Membership**  
Edward & Frances Kuchar

### Subject: Lessons from geese.....

1. As each goose flaps its wings, it creates an "uplift" for the birds that follow. By flying in a V formation, the whole flock adds 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew alone.  
*Lesson: People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the trust of one another.*
2. When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of flying alone. It quickly moves back into the formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front of it.  
*Lesson: If we have as much sense as a goose, we stay in formation with those headed where we want to go. We are willing to accept their help and give our help to others.*
3. When the lead goose tires, it rotates back into the formation and another goose flies to the point position.  
*Lesson: It pays to take turns doing the hard tasks and sharing leadership. As with geese, people are interdependent on each other's skills, capabilities, and unique arrangement of gifts, talents, and resources.*
4. The geese flying in formation honk to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.  
*Lesson: We need to make sure our honking is encouraging. In groups where there is encouragement, the production is much greater. The power of encouragement is the QUALITY honking we seek.*
5. When a goose gets sick, wounded, or shot down, two geese drop out of formation and follow it down to help and protect it. They stay with it until it dies or is able to fly again. Then they launch out with another formation to catch up to the flock.  
*Lesson: If we have as much sense as geese, we will stand by each other in difficult times as well as when we are strong.*

Submitted by Betsy Walcott

## Kelleys Island Historical Association Calendar for 2000

Saturday, May 6	10:00	Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 14		Open House at the Gift Shoppe (time to be announced)
Saturday, June 17	10:00	General Meeting
Saturday, August 5	10:00	Annual Meeting followed by Board Meeting/Art Show
Saturday, September 9		Butterfly Festival
Saturday, October 7	10:00	Board Meeting
Saturday, October 7	11:00	General Meeting

# Happy Birthday!!

## December

- 2 Dr. Alston Quillin
- 2 Caitlin Lupa
- 2 John T. Mack
- 5 Don Shadle
- 6 Albert Fresch
- 8 Julia Martin Kennedy
- 8 Andrea Franketti Fuller
- 11 Kipp Seidl
- 12 Nancy Ward Ritchie
- 13 Sara Fresch
- 14 Annalee
- 15 Danny Fresch
- 15 Budd Wilson
- 18 Laura Jean Pohorence
- 22 Tom Lange
- 24 Michael Mielke, Jr.
- 28 Ray Feyedelem
- 29 Brian A. Stare
- 30 Todd S. Mack

## January

- 2 Sally Blatt
- 4 John Mack
- 7 Chuck Herndon
- 8 Clarole Geschke
- 8 Betty Jones Rettig
- 9 Bonnie Kerscher
- 11 Chip Seidl
- 14 Paul Matso
- 20 Paul Mack
- 22 Madeleine Williams
- 29 Lee Shadle
- 30 Ronnie Myers

## February

- 2 James Lee
- 5 Phil Luna
- 8 Peggy Cooney
- 9 Robert W. Allensworth
- 15 Caroline DeBoard
- 23 Donna Lovins
- 25 Phyllis Hymphrey
- 26 Alyce Beck

## March

- 2 Jane Sennish
- 6 Sue Clepper
- 7 Marge Clapper
- 7 John Rockaway
- 8 Lauren Brown Davidson
- 11 Paul Leidheiser
- 12 Don Clepper
- 14 Laura Von Benken
- 16 Gretchen Larson
- 18 Gail Mack
- 19 Gregory Lee Brown
- 20 Kathleen Gregg Beckman
- 20 Jennifer Clepper
- 21 Beverly Johnson
- 23 James Kennedy
- 24 Pat Hayes
- 26 Mary James
- 27 Claude O. Smith
- 27 Michael Mielke
- 28 Jean Havens
- 29 Kelley Kapper
- 29 Bob Wick
- 31 Delores Cole

## April

- 8 Jack Laton
- 8 Karl Beckman
- 9 Julie Pascoe Kromar
- 14 John V. Stare
- 15 Nadine Mack
- 17 Barbara Ohlmancher
- 18 Bernadette Koshia
- 22 Barbara Shadle
- 22 Vi Feyedelem
- 23 Paul Johnson
- 23 Pam Seidl
- 23 Russell Kornblith
- 28 Melchor Antunano
- 30 Lee Myers
- 30 Mallory Couson

## May

- 3 Frank Sennish
- 4 Robert Larson
- 10 Floren James
- 11 Paul Hiller
- 12 Max Kornblith
- 12 Simon Kornblith
- 14 Lee Brown
- 18 Karen Hendricks
- 18 Christine Lange
- 19 Mary Byer
- 19 Barry Lange
- 21 Lydia Bechtel
- 22 Jonathan Stare
- 28 Kenn Geschke
- 29 Lois Lange Bachman
- 30 Richard Beck
- 30 Charles Pascoe
- 31 Tom Zigman

## June

- 1 Harry Smith
- 4 Blair Herndon
- 4 Sandi Betzenheimer
- 8 Robert Luckay
- 11 Stuart Humphrey
- 13 Evan Betzenheimer
- Antunano
- 14 Joey Lovins
- 14 Dee Hartley
- 17 Jessie Martin
- 17 Kristen Pascoe
- 18 William D. Von Benken
- 26 Paula Shadle
- 26 Charles B. Martin, Jr.
- 27 Jamie L. Matso
- 27 Laura A. Matso
- 30 Carol R. Kutnyak
- 30 Russ Ward

If you would like your name and birthdate included, please mail the information to  
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